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RE:

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Applicant: Kinoshita et al.

Title: WATER-BASED METAL SURFACE TREATMENT

COMPOSITION FOR FORMING LUBRICATING FILM WITH EXCELLENT

MARRING RESISTANCE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Prior to substantive examination of the above-referenced application, please enter the following Preliminary Amendment.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

After the title on page 1, insert the following new text:

This application claims priority from Japanese Application No. 10-369004, filed December 25, 1998, and International Application No. PCT/JP99/07210, filed December 22, 1999.

After page 18, insert new page 19 (separately enclosed) containing an Abstract of

the Disclosure.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claims 1-3 and 5 to read as follows: